

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

AUGUST 17, 2015

HOPE HIGHLANDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

300 HOPE ROAD, CRANSTON, RI 02921

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 6:00 P.M.

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC MEETING

AGENDA

1. Call to order – 6:00 p.m. Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws –

2. PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel:

a. Discuss Certified Recalls

3. PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining/Litigation:

a. Potential Litigation Food Service Contract

4. PL 42-46-5(3)

a. District Safety Plan

5. Executive Session

6. Call to Order - Public Session

7. Roll Call – Quorum

8. Executive Session Minutes Sealed – August 17, 2015

9. Minutes of Previous Meetings Approved –June 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student H), July 8, 2015 (Work Session), July 13, 2015 (Regular Meeting), July 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student A), July 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student B), July 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student C), July 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student D), July 16, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student E), August 4, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student A), August 4, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student B), August 4, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit Student C), August 4, 2015 (Hearing/Appeal of Permit of Student D)

10. Public Acknowledgements/Communications

11. Chairperson's Communications

12. Superintendent's Communications

13. School Committee Member Communications

14. Public Hearing

a. Students (Agenda/Non-Agenda Matters)

b. Members of the Public (Agenda Matters Only)

15. Action Calendar/Action Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

PERSONNEL

Resolution No. 15-08-01 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, said certified personnel be recalled from layoff, and;

Be it further RESOLVED that the Superintendent notify these individuals of the committee's actions.

Resolution No. 15-08-02 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent the following certified personnel be appointed for the 2015-2016 school year:

Marisa Soch, Step 7 + Masters + 30

Education...Clark University, BA, BU, MSW

Experience...Blackstone Valley Mayoral Academy

Certification....Social Worker K-12

Assignment...Sanders Academy 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 13817030 51110

Thomas Pritchard, Step 4

Education...URI, BA

Experience...Lynn Public Schools

Certification....Music Pk-12

Assignment...Itinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 10312410 51110

James Grammas, Step 5 + 36

Education...Bryant University, BS

Experience...Providence School Department

Certification....Social Studies

Assignment...Cranston East 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 11312020 51110

Michael Giblin, Step 7

Education...RIC, BA

Experience...Cranston Substitute

Certification....Emergency Technology Ed K-12

Assignment...Cranston West .6 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 12612360 51110

Dino Bachini, Step 12 + MA+30

Education...RIC, BA, Masters

Experience...North Providence School Department

Certification....Secondary EnglishELL

Assignment...Cranston East 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 11312340 51110

Vanesa Sclama, Step 12+ Masters

Education...RIC, BA, MAT

Experience...Pawtucket School Department

Certification....Special Education ElementaryMiddle

Assignment...Horton 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...New

Fiscal Note... 50896133 51110

Jessica Aspeel, Step 1

Education...RIC, BA

Experience...Cranston Student Teacher

Certification....Secondary English

Assignment...Cranston East .6 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 111312340 51110

Michelle Collette , Step 12 + Masters

Education...RIC, BSW, MSW

Experience...Cranston Substitute

Certification...School Social Worker

Assignment...Itinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 1101703011717030 51110

Sarah Rochon, Step 4 + Masters

Education...URI. BS, MS

Experience...Alphabet Soup

Certification...Speech & Language Pathologist

Assignment...Itinerant 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note...10317010 51110

Shana Girouard, Step 2

Education...RIC, BS

Experience...Cranston Substitute

Certification....Special Ed ElementaryMiddle

Assignment...Gladstone 1.0 FTE

Effective date...September 1, 2015

Authorization...Replacement

Fiscal Note... 11913260 51110

Resolution No. 15-08-03 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified personnel be appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Kary Urso, ElementaryELL

James Oliveira, Health/Physical Education

Resolution No. 15-08-04 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following certified staff member be granted a leave of absence without compensation as provided in Article XIX, Section B.4 of the Master Agreement between the Cranston School Committee and the Cranston Teachers' Alliance:

Dena Chamberlain, Teacher

Hope Highlands

Effective Date...August, 2015 to September, 2016

Resolution No. 15-08-05 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Anna Sylvestre, Teacher

Gladstone

Effective Date...June 29, 2016

Resolution No. 15-08-06 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following certified personnel be accepted:

Marissa Brasil, Teacher

Park View

Effective...July 29, 2015

Jaclyn Cady, Teacher

Cranston East

Effective...July 30, 2015

Julie Merolla, Social Worker

Itinerant

Effective...August 1, 2015

Jacqueline Day, Teacher

Orchard Farms

Effective...August 31, 2015

Resolution No. 15-08-07 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following individual(s) be appointed as an athletic coach:

Dina Cesana, Head Coach Girls' Cross Country

CHSW

Step-3

Class-C

Playing Competition-High School & College

Experience-Cranston East Track Coach

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Richard Grenier, Jr., Assistant Boys' Soccer Coach

CHSE

Step-3

Class-D

Playing Competition-High School

Experience-Cranston East Volunteer Soccer Coach

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Corey Capirchio, Assistant Coach Football

CHSE

Step-3

Class-C

Playing Competition-High School & College

Experience-Cranston West Assistant Football Coach

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Rafael Medina, Head Freshman Football Coach

CHSE

Step-3

Class-E

Playing Competition-High School & College

Experience-Cranston East Volunteer Football Coach

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Nicholas DeMarco, Head Freshman Football Coach

CHSW

Step-3

Class-E

Playing Competition-High School

Experience-Cranston West Volunteer Football Coach

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Cristen Rekrut, Head Coach Girls' Soccer

Bain

Step-1

Class-E

Playing Competition-High School

Experience-Coach Bain + 2 Program

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Michaela Salois, Assistant Coach Field Hockey

Cranston East

Playing Competition-High School

Experience-None

Certification-RI Coaches Certification; CPRAEDFirst Aid

Resolution No. 15-08-08 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified employee(s) be appointed:

Miliarka Capaldi, Secretary

Hope Highlands Elementary

Effective Date...August 31, 2015

Replacement

Fiscal Note...13443210 51110

Alayna Christiansen, Teacher Assistant

Bain Middle School

Effective Date...September 2, 2015

Replacement

Fiscal Note...11546020 51110

Linda Cannata, Secretary

Horton

Effective Date...August 11, 2015

Replacement

Fiscal Note....18643150 51110

Maryjo Greig, Teacher Assistant

Orchard Farms

Effective Date...September 2, 2015

Replacement

Fiscal Note...13646020 51110

Elizabeth Lombardo, Teacher Assistant

Early Childhood Center

Effective Date...September 2, 2015

Replacement

Fiscal Note...146020 51110

Sarah Testoni, Program Manager

SkillsUSA of Rhode Island

Effective Date...August 18, 2015

New

Fiscal Note...56274133 51110

Resolution No. 15-08-09 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the following non-certified personnel be

appointed as substitutes on a temporary basis as needed:

Paige Miranda, Bus Driver

Josephine Howell, Secretary

Resolution No. 15-08-10 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the retirement(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Diane Lanzi, Teacher Assistant

Barrows

Effective Date...July 31, 2015

Rebecca Petronio. Teacher Assistant

Garden City

Effective Date...August 10, 2015

Christine lafrate, Bus Aide

Transportation

Effective Date...August 11, 2015

Angela Doucette, Secretary

Peters

Effective Date...September 11, 2015

Resolution No. 15-08-11 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of

the Superintendent, the resignation(s) of the following non-certified personnel be accepted:

Tara Zuenä, Teacher Assistant

Bain

Effective Date...July 16, 2015

Stephanie Caruso, Bus Monitor

Transportation

Effective Date...July 29, 2015

Anthony Venticinque, Custodian

Plant Operations

Effective Date...August 6, 2015

BUSINESS

DISCUSSION/ACTION - Food Service Contract

Resolution No. 15-08-12 RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:

Photocopier Maintenance for the period from September 1, 2015 to August 31, 2016 in the amount of \$53,450.60

Number of bids issued 3 Number of bids received 3

Resolution No. 15-08-13 RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:

Medicaid Billing Services be extended to PCG (Public Consulting Group Inc) at the direct billing percentage fee structure of 4% for the second and final optional year 2015-2016 as stated in the original bid (approved by the School Committee in resolution 11-6-79)

Resolution No. 15-08-14 RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:

Medicaid Administrative Billing Services at a fee structure rate of 2.8% to manage the billing for Cranston Public Schools for 2015-2018 to UMASS

Number of bids issued 2 Number of bids received 2

Resolution No. 15-08-15 RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:

Master Equipment Lease/Purchase Agreement (15 Small Busses) between Cranston Public Schools and Webster Bank for a five (5) period at an annual principal/interest payment of \$140,106.66.

Resolution No. 15-08-16 RESOLVED, that the following purchase be approved:

Contracted Transportation Services through First Student for athletic events

resulting from the re-instating of Middle School sports as well as occasional

Varsity games at a rate of \$74.00 per hour to include driver, fuel, insurance and

maintenance as procured through the state MPA.

POLICY AND PROGRAM

Resolution No. 15-08-17 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2015-2016 School Committee Calendar be amended (See attached)

Resolution No. 15-08-18 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the Superintendent, the 2015-2016 Cranston Public Schools Calendar be amended (See attached)

Resolution No. 15-08-19 RESOLVED, that the following policy be amended (See attached policy)

Policy #3323 (Soliciting Prices - Bids and Quotations) Amended

Resolution No. 15-08-20 RESOLVED, that at the recommendation of the School Committee, the following policy be approved (See policy on file with the Superintendent's Office)

Policy No. 6125 Comprehensive Assessment System

- 1. Public Hearing on Non-Agenda Items**
- 2. Announcement of Future Meeting(s) – September 9, 2015 and September 15, 2015**
- 3. Adjournment**

School Committee members who are unable to attend this meeting are asked to notify the Chairperson in advance.

Interested persons and the public at large, upon advance notice, will be given a fair opportunity to be heard at said meeting on the items proposed on the agenda.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Superintendent's Office at 270-8170 72 hours in advance of hearing date. Any changes in the agenda pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(e) will be posted on the school district's website at www.cpsed.net, Cranston Public Schools' administration building, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI; and Cranston City Hall, 845 Park Ave., Cranston, RI and will be electronically filed with the Secretary of State at least forty-eight hours (48) in advance of the meeting.

Notice posted: August 14, 2015

Business

Soliciting Prices (Bids and Quotations) POLICY NO. 3323

Bids appearing on the School Committee Agenda shall include:

- 1. Number of Bids issued**
- 2. Number of bids received**

Any single purchase of \$5,000.00 or more shall be made normally on the basis of sealed bids sent to known suppliers of the materials. Bids should be sent to all vendors placed on the invitational bid list.

Any single purchase of \$4,000.00 or more and less than \$5,000.00 shall be made normally on the basis of three written quotations.

Any single purchase of \$3,000.00 or more and less than \$4,000.00 shall be made normally on the basis of three verbal quotations.

Exceptions to the above practices may be made in the following instances:

- 1. Purchases of commodities or services, the price of which is fixed by the public authority authorized by law to fix rates on prices.**
- 2. Contracts for personal services.**

3. Purchases or contracts where competitive bidding is dispensed with, without stated cause, on the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer and the approval of an executive school sub-committee for purchasing. The members of this committee will be the School Committee Chairperson, the Superintendent of Schools, and the Chief Financial Officer.

4. Where there is only one known supplier (sole source).

5. When Federal Surplus Property is available to Cranston Public Schools, the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make purchases in excess of \$5,000.00 with the approval of the Superintendent and the executive school sub-committee for purchasing.

Awards shall customarily be made to the lowest responsible bidder meeting the specifications. However, the following facts may be considered and influence an award to other than the lowest bidder:

1. The general reputation and reliability of the bidder.

2. Previous or assured future service to the department.

3. The superior quality of the item in the light of the difference in cost.

4. Where bids and quotations involve more than one item, the selection may be made in an item by item basis according to the

lowest responsible bidder.

CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Amended: 11/21/94 Amended: 6/16/08 Amended:

**Resolution No. 94-11-35 Resolution No. 08-6-25 Resolution No.
15-08-19**

**CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS
SCHEDULE**

2015-2016

DAT E

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015 TIME

5:00 pm (special time) LOCATION

Briggs Building

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2015 5:00 pm* Western Hills

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2015

Monday, Oct. 19, 2015 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Western Hills

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2015

Monday, Nov. 9, 2015 6:00 pm

7:00 pm Briggs Building Western Hills

Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2015

Monday, Dec. 14, 2015 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Western Hills

2016

Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2016 (Public Budget Work Session) 7:00 pm Western Hills

Monday, Jan. 25, 2016 (Public Budget Work Session) 7:00 pm Western Hills

Thursday, Jan. 28, 2016 (if necessary) (Public Budget Work Session) 7:00 pm Western Hills

Monday, Feb. 8, 2016 (Budget Adoption) 7:00 pm Western Hills

Thursday, Feb. 11, 2016 (Budget Adoption II) 7:00 pm Western Hills

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

Monday, March 14, 2016 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Western Hills

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

Monday, April 25, 2016 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Western Hills

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Monday, May 16, 2016 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Western Hills

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Monday, June 13, 2016

Monday, June 20, 2016

Thursday, June 23, 2016 6:00 pm

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7:00 pm* Briggs Building Hope Highlands Hope Highlands Hope Highlands

Wednesday, July 12, 2016

Monday, July 18, 2016 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Hope Highlands

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

Monday, August 15, 2016 6:00 pm

7:00 pm* Briggs Building Hope Highlands

Wednesday meeting dates denote School Committee Work Sessions and Monday meeting dates denote regular School Committee meetings. The schedule has also been adjusted, where it could be, to not conflict with City Council meetings.

*** = or immediately following Executive Session.**

Cranston Public Schools Calendar for 2015 - 2016

Resolution No. 15-08-18 Passed Summer 2015

At the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools, and with the School Committee approval, this calendar may be altered during the scheduled recess periods or at the end of the school year, due to emergencies affecting the health and safety of our students.

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***New Teacher Orientation August 27 & 28, 2015**

****All Teachers Orientation **September 1, 2015**

**First Day of School for Students - ALL GRADES REPORT Wednesday,
September 2, 2015**

September 7, 2015 Labor Day

September 14, 2015 Rosh Hashanah

September 23, 2015 Yom Kippur

October 12, 2015 Columbus Day Observed

November 11, 2015

Veterans' Day Observed

November 26 & 27, 2015 Thanksgiving Recess

**December 24, 2015 - January 1, 2016 Holiday Recess (includes
Christmas Day/Dec 25 & New Year's Day/Jan 1)**

January 18, 2016 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

**February 15 - 19, 2016 Mid-Winter Recess (includes Presidents' Day /
Feb.15)**

March 25, 2016 Good Friday

April 18 - 22, 2016 Spring Recess

May 30, 2016 Memorial Day Observed

**Schools close June 16, 2016 or the 180th day (June 17 - 19) = make
up days for inclement weather)**

First quarter September 2- - November 9 inclusive 45 days

Second quarter Third quarter

Forth term November 10

January 27

April 7 - January 26

- April 6

- June 16 inclusive 45 days

inclusive 45 days

inclusive 45 days

Graduation Dates CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOLS EAST & WEST June

11, 2016 NEL/CPS Construction Career Academy June 10, 2016

Cranston East, West & NEL/CPS Seniors' last day of instruction June 3, 2016